

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. CISA-2022-0012]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Communications
Assets Survey And Mapping (CASM) Tool

AGENCY: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: 30- Day Notice and request for comments;

Reinstatement Without Change, OMB Control Number: DHS-1670-

0043

SUMMARY: The Emergency Communications Division (ECD within the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is issuing a 30-day notice and request for comments to extend use of Information Collection Request (ICR) 1670-0043. CISA will submit the ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to OMB Desk Officer, Department of Homeland Security and sent via

electronic mail to dhsdeskofficer@omb.eop.gov.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and the OMB Control Number 1670-0043 - replace

Comments submitted in response to this notice may be made

available to the public through relevant websites. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information. If you send an e-mail comment, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. Please note that responses to this public comment request containing any routine notice about the confidentiality of the communication will be treated as public comments that may be made available to the public notwithstanding the inclusion of the routine notice. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Kendall Carpenter, 202-744-1580, kendall.carpenter@cisa.dhs.gov SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CISA previously published this information collection request (ICR) in the Federal Register on October 10, 2022 for a 60-day public comment period. Zero comments were received by CISA. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30-days for public comments.

The CISA ECD, formed under Title XVIII of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, 6 U.S.C. 571 et seq., as amended, is required to develop and maintain the Nationwide Emergency Communications Plan (NECP). The vision of the NECP is to ensure emergency response personnel can communicate as needed, on demand, and as authorized. To achieve this vision, ECD provides the Communications Assets and Survey Mapping (CASM) Tool. The CASM Tool is the primary resource nationwide for the emergency communications community to inventory and share asset and training information for the purpose of planning public safety communications operability and interoperability.

ECD provides the CASM Tool as a secure and free nationwide database to contain communications capabilities for use by Federal, State, Local, Territorial, and Tribal (SLTT) emergency personnel. CASM allows Federal employees and SLTT Statewide Interoperability Coordinators (SWIC) to inventory emergency communication equipment and resources. The information entered is voluntary and used by SWIC to support tactical planning and coordination during emergencies. ECD does not utilize the information entered into CASM. ECD only provides, maintains, and stores the information entered in the CASM database and only has administrative access to the information entered. All information is collected via electronic means. The CASM registration and database tool is available online via

https://casm.dhs.gov/. Users can also access and enter information via the CASM Resource Finder mobile app.

This is a renewal for an existing information collection not a new collection. OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

- 1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- 2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- 3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- 4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

ANALYSIS:

AGENCY: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency
(CISA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

Title: Communications Assets Survey and Mapping Tool.

OMB Number: CISA-1670-0043

Frequency: Annually.

<u>Affected Public:</u> State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial entities.

Number of Respondents: 56

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 Minutes (0.08 hours) per registration or 30 minutes (0.50 hours) for tool modules

Total Burden Hours: 341

Total Annualized Respondent Opportunity Cost: \$16,215

Total Annualized Respondent Out-of-Pocket Cost: \$0

Total Annualized Government Cost: \$3,000,000

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